

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF YORK
YORKTOWN, VIRGINIA

Resolution

At a regular meeting of the York County Board of Supervisors held in the Board Room, York Hall, Yorktown, Virginia, on the ____ day of ____, 2003:

Present

Vote

James S. Burgett, Chairman
Thomas G. Shepperd, Jr., Vice Chairman
Sheila S. Noll
Donald E. Wiggins
Walter C. Zaremba

On motion of ____, which carried __, the following resolution was adopted:

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEND AND CONGRATULATE JASON DRESS
ON HIS SELECTION AS THE 2003 YORK COUNTY OUTSTANDING YOUTH OF
THE YEAR FOR OVERALL ACHIEVEMENT

WHEREAS, the York County Youth Commission and the Board of Supervisors established the Outstanding Youth of the Year Awards Program to recognize the accomplishments and achievements of York County's youth; and

WHEREAS, Jason Dress was nominated and has been chosen by the Selection Committee to receive the 2003 Outstanding Youth of the Year Award for Overall Achievement; and

WHEREAS, Jason Dress epitomizes excellence and outstanding achievement with his numerous accomplishments and superior performance in a wide variety of endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Jason's *academic* achievements are evidenced by his 4.2 grade point average in a demanding load of Honors Program coursework as a junior at Grafton High School, where he has also distinguished himself academically by his election into the National and Spanish Honor Societies, his recent nomination to the Mu Alpha Theta Math Honor Society, and in his placing second in biochemistry and physics, respectively, at the York County Science Fair; and

WHEREAS, Jason's *athletic* achievements are demonstrated by his participation on Grafton's Varsity Golf team where he was the school's top player and qualified this past fall for the Regional Golf Tournament, as well as by his participation on an area select soccer team and on Grafton's Junior Varsity Cross Country Team; and

WHEREAS, Jason's *leadership* achievements are shown by his earning the rank of Eagle Scout last year, an accomplishment attained by only about two percent of all young men who enter scouting nationally, by his training new scouts and serving as an important role model, and by his fellow scouts electing him to serve a six-month term as their Senior Patrol Leader, a position requiring him to plan and organize all meetings and activities under the advisement of his Scoutmaster; and

WHEREAS, Jason's numerous *service* achievements are evidenced by his participation in a number of school, scouting, and church related projects including Salvation Army bell ringing for charitable donations at Christmas, visiting the elderly at a local convalescent home, participating in food drives to support the York County Church Women's United Emergency Food Closet, cleaning up trash and debris along the Colonial Parkway and York River as a part of "Save the Bay Day," constructing a nature trail behind Saint Joan of Arc Catholic Church, volunteering to help wait tables at the Senior Center of York's annual Christmas dinner-dance the past two years, and helping on his church's "Service Saturday" cleanup projects; and

WHEREAS, in addition to all of these exemplary achievements and time consuming pursuits, Jason has somehow managed to find enough "*spare time*" to put in the hours upon hours of practice at home and school to excel as a talented trumpet player in Grafton High School's Marching, Symphonic, and Jazz Bands, through which he has won recognition the past two years by being named to the All-District Band, and *still* has found time to also play in the Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic Church youth band, and work part-time as a York County youth soccer referee and now for Pro Am Golf; and

WHEREAS, Jason's noteworthy achievements and successes in life are surpassed only by his character, as teachers and others describe him as being "very conscientious," and "very motivated," while also being "very well liked and respected," and "a quiet leader who is very modest;"

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the York County Board of Supervisors this ____ day of _____, 2003, that Jason Dress be, and he is hereby, commended and congratulated for being selected as York County's 2003 Outstanding Youth of the Year for Overall Achievement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Jason be extended the heartfelt appreciation of the Board of Supervisors for his outstanding example and invaluable role model to the youth of our community, and that the Board's best wishes go with him as he continues to use his talents and abilities in service to others.